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This is a decision on the petition filed April 4, 2011 which is being treated as a Request for Reconsideration under 37 CFR 1.378(e) to accept the delayed payment of a maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The maintenance fee is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

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